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SUBJ: TRIPARTITE INVESTMENT IN LDC'S UTILIZING MIDDLE

EAST OIL FUNDS

REF: A. STATE 281356 B. KUWAIT 0047

1. SUMMARY: AFGHANISTAN SEEMS FIT PATTERN OF LDC'S MENTIONED STATE REFTEL AS RECIPIENT COUNTRY. SOME INDICATIONS GOA MAY BE ENGAGED IN PRELIMINARY NEGOTIATIONS WITH KUWAIT FUND FOR ARAB ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (KFAED) FOR FINANCING FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR FARAH RUD IRRIGATION PROJECT IN SOUTHWESTERN AFGHANISTAN. END SUMMARY.

2. PARA SIX, REFTEL A, REQUESTED INFO ADDRESSEE'S COMMENTS ON MODALITIES OF SPECIFIC TRIANGULAR DEALS. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED INFORMALLY THAT GOA MAY BE DICKERING WITH KUWAIT
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FUND FOR ARAB ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (KFAED) FOR FEASIBILITY

STUDY ON FARAH RUD RIVER VALLEY IRRIGATION POSSIBILITIES.
ACCORDING TO OUR INFO, KFAED DIRECTOR ABD AL-LATIF YOUSEF
AL-HAMED HAS INDICATED WILLINGNESS PROVIDE FINANCING FOR
FOR FARAH RUD FEASIBILITY STUDY ON GRANT BASIS. INTIAL
SELECTION OF INTERNATIONAL FIRM OR FIRMS TO PERFORM
FEASIBILITY WORK WOULD BE MADE BY KFAED WITH FINAL
APPROVAL BY AFGHAN GOVERNMENT. IF FEASIBILITY STUDY
CONCLUDES PROJECT VIABLE, KFAED WOULD PROVIDE FOLLOW-
ON FINANCING FOR PROJECT ON LOW INTEREST, LONG TERM LOAN
BASIS.

3. GOA MIN/PLANNING, DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER AND GOA
PRESIDENT'S BROTHER, MOHAMMAD NAIM, SCHEDULED VISIT KUWAIT
JANUARY 16-22, PURPORTEDLY SEEKING FINANCING FOR
AFGHAN DEVELOPMENT.

4. DURING PAST SIX MONTHS, AFGHANISTAN HAS RECEIVED LARGE,
UNTIED OFFERS FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE FROM OTHER
OIL COUNTRIES, NOTABLY IRAN, SAUDI ARABIA AND IRAQ. EMBASSY
BELIEVES THERE POTENTIAL FOR OTHER TRIPARTITE INVESTMENT
VENTURES FLOWING FROM THESE ASSISTANCE OFFERS.

5. RE PARA 4 (B), REFTEL (A), THERE ARE NO RPT NO EXTANT
INTERMEDIARY INSTITUTIONS IN AFGHANISTAN TO FACILITATE SUCH
TRIPARTITE INVESTMENT.
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